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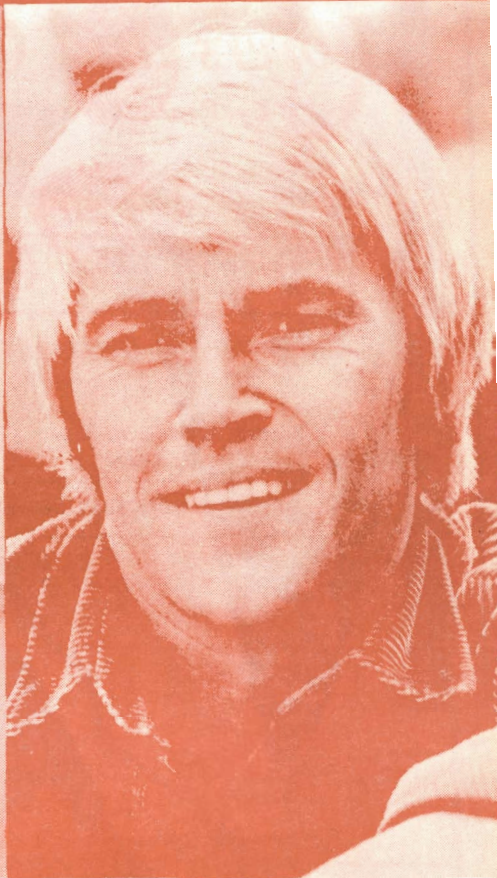
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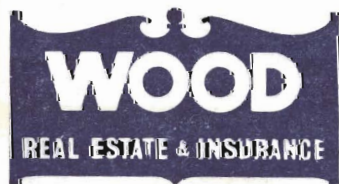


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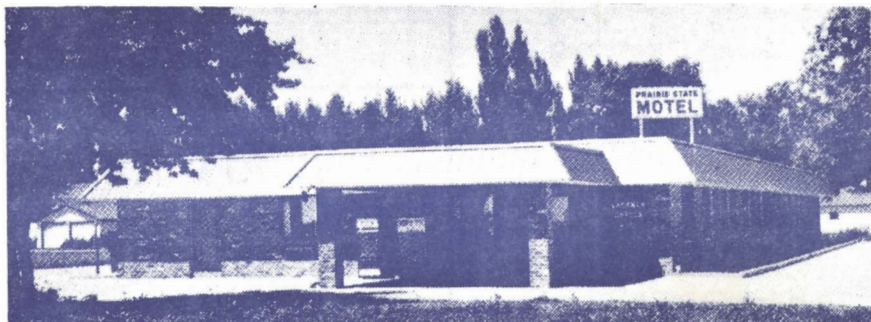
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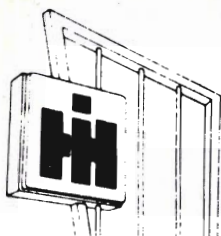
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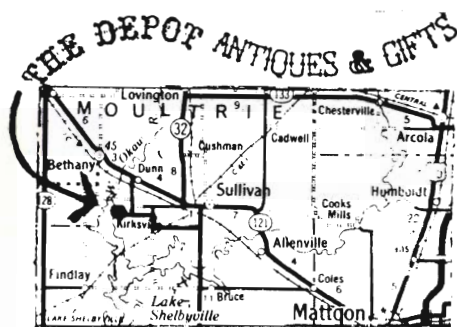
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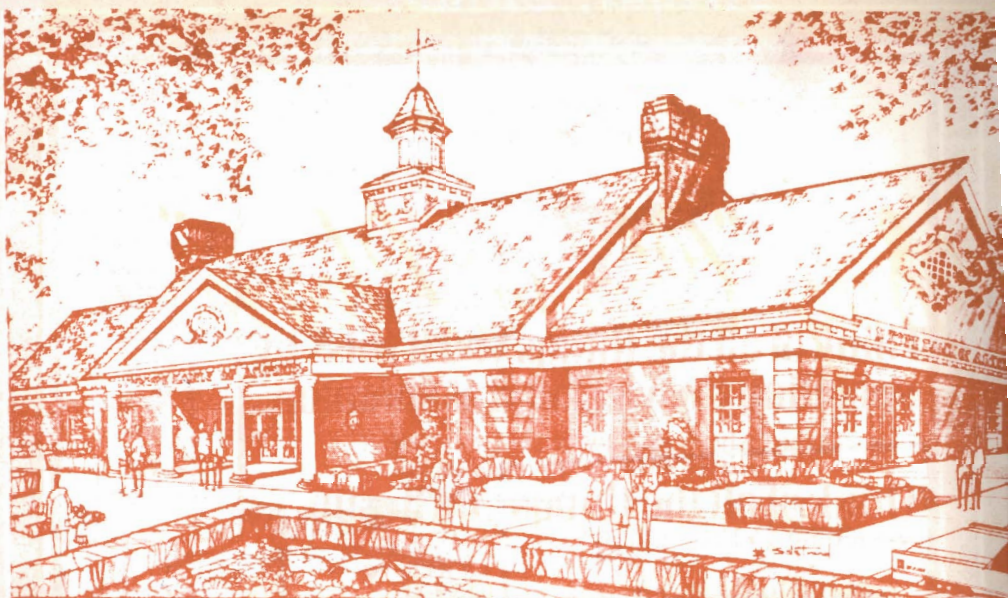
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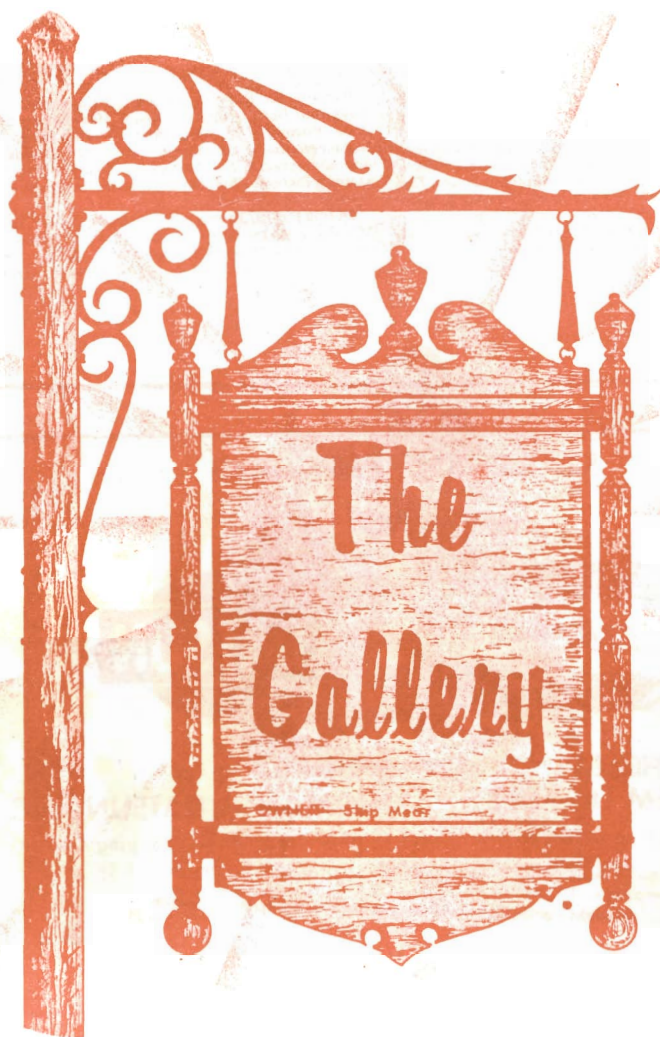
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GEORGE BUNT has been associated as director and choreographer for eight seasons at The Little Theatre-On The Square. Some of his more recent directing and choreographing assignments in Sullivan include *The Great Waltz* with Marion Marlowe, *Hello, Dolly!* with Virginia Mayo, *Li'l Abner* and *Promises, Promises* with Peter Palmer, *The Unsinkable Molly Brown* with Barbara Rush, *Anything Goes* with Frank Sutton and *Company* with Janis Paige.

Mr. Bunt is also an accomplished dancer, who appeared in the Broadway productions of *Maggie Flynn* with Shirley Jones, *Superman* with Jack Cassidy and *Minnie's Boys* with Shelley Winters.

Recently Mr. Bunt choreographed *Cabaret* with Judy Carne, *Guys And Dolls* with Jane Kean, *Meet Me In St. Louis* with Jane Powell, *The King And I* with Betsy Palmer and *Hubba-Hubba* at Goodspeed Opera. Off-Broadway Mr. Bunt choreographed *F. Scott Fitzgerald And The Last Of The Belles* starring Richard Chamberlain and Blythe Danner, a film made for television on ABC.

During the 1973 season of The Little Theatre-On The Square Mr. Bunt staged *Irmã La Douce* with Lesley Warren and choreographed *Kiss Me, Kate* with David Canary at the Cincinnati Playhouse, as well as two Eastern summer package tours.

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KATHY TAYLOR (Brenda, Susan, Joan) was hailed by audiences and critics alike for her outstanding voice and acting as Guinevere in CAMELOT opposite George Chakiris, Eve in APPLAUSE with Rosemary Prinz, Kitzi Kranz in BLOSSOM TIME with Allan Jones and Edith in BLITHE SPIRIT with Ann Miller and Margaret Hamilton - all in Sullivan last season. She hails from Denver and is a graduate of the University of Northern Colorado. During the 1972 Sullivan season, she was featured as Hodel in FIDDLER ON THE ROOF with Shelley Berman, Hope in ANYTHING GOES with Frank Sutton, April in COMPANY with Janis Paige, Arlene in PARIS IS OUT with Pat O'Brien and THE LION IN WINTER with Miss Wagner. Kathy's last performance at The Little Theatre-On The Square was in the American Tribal Love-Rock musical, HAIR, which she also played at the Locust Street Theatre in Philadelphia.

JOHN KELSO (Hal, Johnny, Frank) whose name has practically become synonymous with Little Theatre-On The Square productions, AS both actor and director returns for his thirteenth season. His wide range of characterizations over the years has never failed to amaze and delight regular theatre patrons among whom he has a large following. Among Kelso's outstanding performances last season were: Pelanore in CAMELOT with George Chakiras, Buz in APPLAUSE with Rosemary Prinz, Sar. Carlino in WAIT UNTIL DARK with Michael Cole and Dr. Bradman in BLITHE SPIRIT with Ann Miller. Also a versatile technician, it was Mr. Kelso behind the scenes as Stage Manager who was vitally responsible for many of the exciting technical effects in HAIR. He was recently seen as Dr. Spivey in the Little Theatre-On The Square's production of ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST.

AUGUST 6 - AUGUST 25

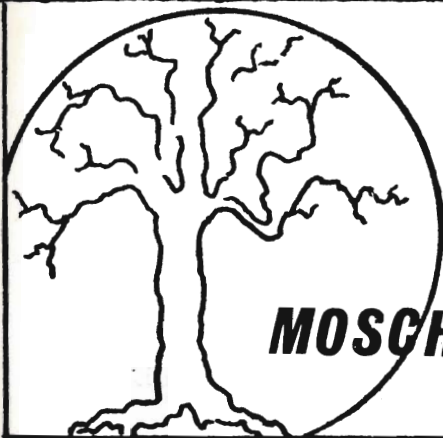
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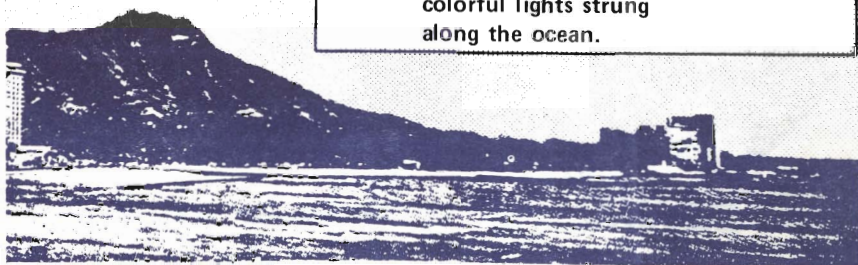
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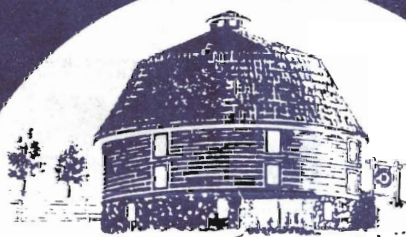
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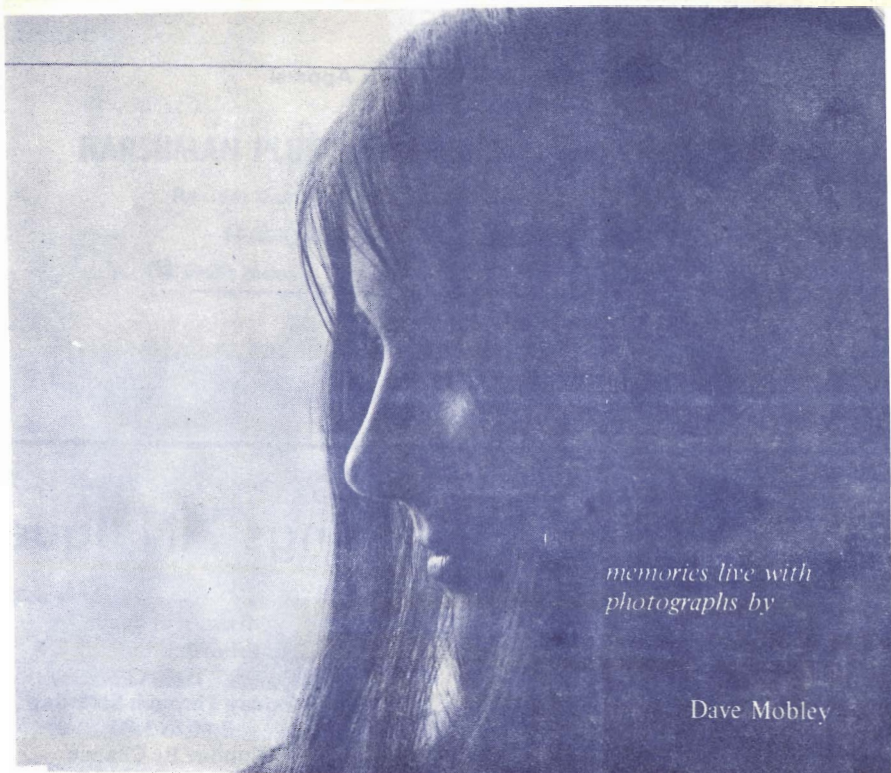
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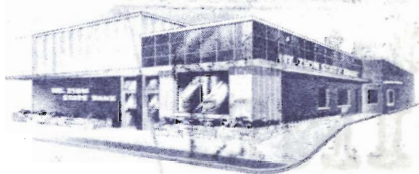
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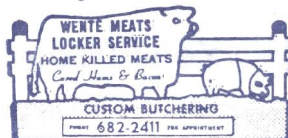
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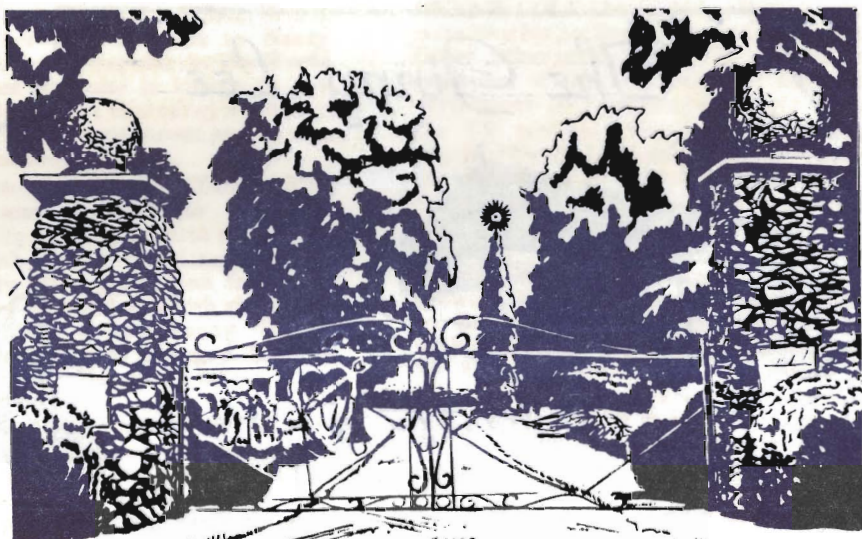
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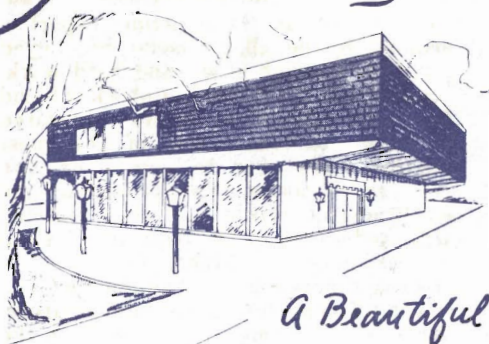
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HELEN WAGNER (Cathy, Wilma, Bea) is known to her CBS TV fans as Nancy Hughes on the ever-popular *As The World Turns* series, but she is known to her personal friends as a charming, attractive lady with a warm spontaneous smile and a wonderful sense of humor.

A native of Lubbock, Texas, Miss Wagner was inspired to a career in theatre by hearing an aunt sing on the old Redpath-Horner Chautauqua Circuit and shortly after graduation from high school, gave a recital at which she played the organ, piano, violin and sang, "like the old vaudevillian who changed hats for every entrance." Her aunt's influence had taken hold!

Miss Wagner studied at Illinois' Monmouth College, earning degrees in dramatics and music and after graduation, headed for New York to continue her voice and piano training, finding experience and enjoyment as a soloist in various churches.

The St. Louis Municipal Opera Company gave her her first important singing job and later, she won a part in the Oscar Hammerstein-Sigmund Romberg production of *Sunny River*, playing the only non-singing role because she could act. Following came a part in *Oklahoma!* and a tour with the Theatre Guild Shakespearean Company, Broadway and off-Broadway appearances, Gilbert and Sullivan tours in mezzo-soprano roles, hospital benefits and even a Christmas-season job selling dolls at Macy's!

Turning to modeling on television, she broke into the medium by modeling wristwatches and within a short time, moved to dramatic parts on many of the top programs. She made the pilot film for *As The World Turns* and has been with the series from the beginning — seventeen years.

Miss Wagner's Broadway appearances include *BAD SEED*, *LOVER OF FOUR COLONELS* with Rex Harrison and *MY NAME IS AQUILON* with Jean Pierre Aumont. Miss Wagner has toured the Tennessee Williams' classic, *STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE* in the role of Blanche.

Miss Wagner's last appearance at Sullivan's Little Theatre-On The Square was in the role of Eleanor, with Donald May (CBS *THE EDGE OF NIGHT*) in the 1972 production of *THE LION IN WINTER*.

DENNIS COLE (Jerry, Mike, Richy), who is making his Sullivan debut in *Lovers and Other Strangers*, is one of the finest examples of the new breed of talented performers to emerge exclusively from the TV medium. The acting expertise acquired by the tall, handsome, hazel-eyed Mr. Cole through study and hard work, coupled with the distinctive shock of blond hair and darker eyebrows, conspired favorably to create one of the most popular stars ever to appear on two network TV series. First, as leading man on *Bracken's World* and then starring with Rod Taylor in *The Bearcats*. Trained by his musician father, he gained a sizeable reputation as a lead trumpeter, a talent instrumental in his future career. While in high school, his prowess on the gridiron led to the University of Detroit via a football scholarship, with strong possibilities of becoming a pro with the Detroit Lions. But music won out, and Mr. Cole headed for Hollywood, where an association with famed jazz trumpeter Shorty Rogers resulted in several gigs at major motion picture studies. It was while working at Warner Bros. that he became involved in stunt work, and his proficiency as a stunt man landed him jobs in MGM's *How the West Was Won* and Warner's *Distant Trumpet* and many TV shows. In two more films, *Bye Bye Birdie* and *Nutty Professor* he appeared as a dancer. After a couple of acting assignments in the Dr. Kildare series, Mr. Cole began to perfect his craft by following a strict regimen of acting, voice and diction lessons. The actor's first important break arrived with his signing for a role on the daytime soap opera *Paradise Bay*, giving Mr. Cole not only steady employment, but also invaluable experience acting live on network TV. For the next three seasons he appeared on *Felony Squad* with Howard Duff and the late Ben Alexander and then moved directly into *Bracken's World*. As a natural outgrowth of his acting career, Mr. Cole became increasingly interested in live theatre and toured the summer stock circuit as star of *All the Girls Came Out to Play*. When not devoting his energies to acting, Mr. Cole retreats to his new home in the Hollywood Hills where he lives with his son, Joey.

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